

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 761

By Dean

A RESOLUTION to recognize Curtis Adams on the occasion of his retirement from the Hamilton County Commission.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Curtis Adams is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for a record twenty-two years as a Hamilton County Commissioner and who will be taking a much deserved retirement this year; and

WHEREAS, at the age of eighteen, Mr. Adams began his career in the newspaper industry at the *News Free Press*, where he rose to the rank of manager in the circulation and advertising departments; and

WHEREAS, this valued resident of East Ridge retires as Chairman and Senior Commissioner after having won a record six elections during his remarkable career; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Adams's colleagues throughout his more than two decades of service to the Hamilton County Commission include three Tennessee governors, four Chattanooga mayors, seven East Ridge mayors, two dozen City Council members, and three superintendents; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Adams exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, he is most grateful for the love and companionship he shares with his wife of sixty years, Dorothy; their marriage produced two cherished daughters, Jennifer and Debbie; two beloved sons, the late Curtis Owen and the late Michael; ten grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, never tiring in his service to his community, Mr. Adams plans to remain active in his hometown of East Ridge; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Curtis Adams has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Curtis Adams our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.